

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, January 27, 1729.

From the St. James Evening-Post, Jan 28.

Petersburg, Decem. 18.

N Saturday last 15 new Gallies, namely, 3 of 22 Benches, and the rest from 12 to 25, were put upon the Stocks here, by express Order of the Czar.

The new Men of War are likewise finishing with all possible Expedition.

Lisbon, Jan. 14, 7 at Night. Just now Advice is brought, that the Bahia Fleet is arrived off this Port.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, Jan. 18.

Madrid, Jan 4. The Hon. --- Gage, Brother to the Lord Viscount Gage, has found Means to drain the Water which filled the Silver Mines the King gave him, which hindred him to continue the Work. He has a Grant of them for 40 Years, and he is to pay to his Catholick Majesty but one Eighth of all the Silver he shall take out of them. 'Tis very likely, that nothing now hindering the Work, his Profits will be very great, these Mines being rich.

Wexel, Jan. 12. We reckon for certain, that the King of Prussia and the Prince Royal his Son, will come hither Monday; and 'tis said the Prince will after some Stay here, proceed to a certain Foreign Court.

London, Jan. 18. By Letters from Lisbon dated the 4th Instant, we have Advice, that the Court was to set out in 3 Days for the Frontiers, in order to meet the Court of Madrid, to exchange the Infantas, agreeably to the double Marriages between the two Nations. 'Tis added, That the whole Court were to be exceedingly rich dress'd, except the King and Queen, whose Habits were to be very plain.

From the Daily Post Boy, Jan. 18.

Berlin, Jan. 6. Last Year there were 659 Marriages in this City: Males born, 1460; Females, 1332. In all, 2792; whereof 290 Bastards. Buried Males, 1732; Females, 1569: In all, 3308.

More dead than born, 516.

Paris, Jan. 15. The Queen has complained of a Sickness at Stomach several times of late; which being attended with Reachings, gives us fresh Hopes of a Dauphine; and the King sups with her Majesty almost every Night.

Bologna, Decem. The Chevalier de Bourg with his Daughter arrived lately here. They waited upon the Chevalier de St. George and the Princess his Consort, who presented each of them with a Nosegay-made of artificial Flowers, in which was rolled up a Bill of 50 Lewis d'or.

Hamburg, Jan. 12. By the Letters from Berlin we learn, That the Counsellor sent by the Duke Charles Leopold of Meclenburg to make some Propositions to the King of Prussia concerning the present Situation of his Affairs, had received for Answer, that the King could not concern himself in his Affairs, and that the best Advice he could give him, was to submit himself to the Decrees of the Imperial Court.

From the Evening Post, Jan. 18.

Hague, Jan 18. The Affairs of Europe are now soot a Crisis, that our Politicians hug themselves in the Liberty of Reasoning upon them, without running the Hazard of committing their Thoughts to Writing, for which several have been incarcerated here as the Scotsmen say, and past their Time but indifferently beside. The principal Ministers having quitted their Abode at Soissons, for a Time at least, we can expect no News from thence, except of an Entertainment now and then among the few remaining there: But they write, that the Burghers begin to hope the Conferences will soon be renewed, because Apartments are hired and getting ready for some English Gentlemen, who will be at Soissons by the Beginning of next Month; and they are told, all the Plenipoteniaries will return thither in March next, to prosecute the Affair of the Negotiations. Be that as it will, there are private Letters from Madrid impor-



that his Catholick Majesty will hear no more of a Truce, but insists that all Disputes be forthwith discussed and decided in the Congress: And they add, that the Spanish Grandees press the King to lay his Commands upon a certain Great Minister, to give an Account of his Negotiations in Writing, that it may be known how well he has executed his Commission, and what he has transacted with some Foreign Ministers. If this is pointed at the Duke de Bourbonville, it is a sufficient Confirmation of that Nobleman's Disgrace; but we see Letters from Paris, which say he has actually delivered in his Report in Writing, and that he is to accompany the Court to Badajoz: And if this be the Case, the Report of his being out of favour must be groundless. A little Time will however solve this Doubt.

London, Jan. 18. On Thursday two Men on Horseback, robbed eleven Coaches going to and coming from Hamstead.

We hear from Brightling in Sussex, that 16 Persons Men and Boys, being sliding upon the Mill Pond thereabout, the middle of last Week, the Ice broke, and they were drowned.

Wys's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 21.

Since our last arrived 2 Mails from France.

SOME People in their Discourse on the Book lately published, Entituled *Observations on the Conduct of Great Britain*, pretend, that the Author is deficient in certain Facts, particularly with respect to the Number of Ships taken from us by the Spaniards; and that he shews much partiality in certain other Relations: But Remarks on the said Book did not come out Yesterday, as was advertised in the *Craftsman* last Saturday. Mean time there is published in the *Daily Journal* of this Day, an Account, which is asserted to be genuine, of the British Captures made by the Spaniards since the late Siege of Gibraltar commenced, and the whole Number of Ships appears by this List to amount to 97.

There is just published, *A Defence of the Enquiry into the Reasons of the Conduct of Great Britain*, &c. occasioned by the Paper published in the *Craftsman* of the 4th Instant by the Author of the Enquiry, who therein remarks, among other Things, that

a Provisional Treaty has been drawn up in Congress, for securing and extending a general pacification, and that it now waits the Resolution of the Courts of Vienna and Spain, which Delay naturally cause uneasiness in the Breast of an brave Nation; and make many apt to think that another and better Method might have been chosen, of which not feeling the Effect at present they may judge the more favourably, and not think the State of an universal War in Europe should have been some Time ago chosen, before the present State; but they who are at the Helm have thought otherwise: And in this View all that can be said of them is, that they have been too unwilling and too backward to bring all Europe into a State, which when even absolutely unavoidable, is in itself the most terrible, and in its Event the most uncertain of all States; and that they have rather chuse for too long a Time a State of some Evils, in order to try to prevent the State, which would soon bring along with it other and greater Evils, as well as louder Complaints under them. This great Author towards the Conclusion, says he has no Attachment to Ministers, but what he should now be willing should appear naked and open to every impartial Eye.

It was observed that the Populace this Day cried *Gibraltar and Portmahon for ever*, as the King went to the House of Peers, where the Prince of Wales was introduced with the usual Ceremonies, and took the Oaths and his Seat under the Throne on the Right Hand of his Majesty.

Sir John Hubbard, Sir Thomas Wentworth, and Sir John Moreton, three of the new created Lords were also introduced, and took their Seats. Sir Thomas Coke the fourth was not present.

His Majesty in his Speech, expressed his Concern at the Delays of the Negotiations, signifying, That the Provisional Treaty had been proposed, which had neither been accepted nor rejected by the Courts of Vienna and Spain; and if a War was unavoidable, he would rely on the Assistance of his Parliament to carry it on vigorously, observing the Steadiness of his Allies therein.

The Lords in their Address of Thanks, which was moved for by the Earl of Peterborough, observe, That our present State of Uncertainty will soon



ned, by his Majesty's declaring his Opinion necessary to insist upon a speedy and certain Decision of this important Transaction; must convince all those who have promoted any, or have had the high Presumption to impute to his Majesty's Conduct, That the Honour of Great Britain is in the Hands of a Prince, who is capable of being amused, as intimidated; and who after so much Patience abused, the only way to Peace should be by an Appeal to Heaven, and necessary War, they will enable his Majesty to carry it on with Vigour. The Commons are like to sit late.

*From the Evening Post, Jan. 14.*

*Paris, Jan. 23.* The Night between the 15th and 16th Instant the King found himself out of Order; and at 3 in the Morning, having a Feverish Fit, he went from the Queen's Chamber to his own Apartment. Mass was said in his Majesty's Chamber, and the Queen did not stir out of it the whole Day. At Night his Majesty felt no more of his Fever; which was occasioned by a Cold he catch'd the Day before. And he is now in perfect Health.

An African Prince arrived here some Days since, to desire his Majesty's Assistance against the Regency of Tripoli, who have possessed themselves of his Dominions, which he had been forced to fly from because he had protected the Christians. This Prince came last from Rome, where he obtained Letters of Recommendation.

*From the London Evening Post, Jan. 21.*

*Cadix, Decem. 28.* Great Preparations are making here for his Majesty's Reception, who 'tis expected will make us a Visit in his way to Badajoz on the Frontiers of Portugal, where the Exchange of the two Infantas is to be made. 'Tis presum'd he will have the Satisfaction to find the Gallies here, being daily expected.

Yesterday the Rose Man of War, Capt. Waller, arrived here from Gibraltar, in his Way to England; but she is not suffered to have any Communication with the Town, on account of the Place she comes from; therefore her Stay will be but short.

In my last, I advised you of a Swedish Man of War being come in, but find she is under Merch-

ant Colours: She is new from off the Stocks, and is a 34 Gun Ship, comes to be sold, and her Lading is naval Stores.

The quondam *Carteret*, an East-India Ship, now belonging to the Ostend East-India Company, is hourly expected here, to take in Materials for that Company.

*Edinburgh, Jan. 27.* Last Week the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Northesk died at his Country Seat of Ethie.

This Day it is High Water at Leith at 8 a'clock. 44 Minutes. Tomorrow, at 9, 32 Min. Wednesday, at 10, 20 Min.

*Glasgow, Jan. 17. 1729.*

Best Wheat, 09 10 00.	2d, 09 00 00	3d, 08 12 00
Best Bear, 08 10 00.	2d, 80 00 00	3d, 07 14 00
Best Oats, 06 13 00.	2d, 06 00 00	3d, 05 16 00
Best Pease, 06 12 00.	2d, 06 08 00	3d, 06 00 00.

## ADVERTISEMENT.

Stolen or Strayed out of a Stable at the Rock Foot of the Castle of Dumbarton, upon the 23d January Instant, early in the Morning, a Light Bay Horse or Gelding, with black Tail and Mane, Eel-back'd, a Star in his Face, and no more white; a little low in the Back, Four Years old May next, betwixt 7 and 8 l. sterl. Price. Whoever can give Account of said Horse to Walter Williamson, Writer in Dumbarton, or to William Lattay, Tenant at said Rock Foot, so as he be recovered; or if he who carried him off, will be so kind as bring him back, he shall have a reasonable Reward, and no Questions ask'd.

\*\*\* That the voluntary Roup of the Lands of CARRKERDO, formerly advertised to have been sold upon the 17th of January Inst, is adjourned to Friday the last Day of the same Month, to be then roup'd in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, at three of the Clock in the Afternoon. The free Rent of the Lands is about eighty Pound Sterling. They have a convenient Dwelling-house thereon, lately built, consisting of seven Fire-rooms with Garrets, and all necessary Office-houses hold Taxward of the Crown for Payment of twelve Pound Scots yearly for Ward, the like Sum for Relief, and thirty shillings for the Marriage; ly within the Parish of Ceres, at two Miles distance from the Firth of Forth, and three Miles from Cowper in Fife, within a convenient Distance from Coal and Peat. The Rental, Progress of the Writs and Articles of Roup are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Stevenson of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the Parliament Clois.

\*\*\* That there is (immediately) to be sette or sold, a LODGING at Inveresk, Yard, Orchard, and 10 Acres of Land inclosed with a Stone and Lime Wall, presently possessed by the Relict of General Maitland. The House, being 3 Storeys, has 17 Fire-Rooms, 10 Closets, 4 Garrets

and Pantries, a Pump-well at the House, with Brewhouse, Stables, Lotts, Coach house, and all other Office-houses. There is in the Park, a Well and Pond, a Stable, Byer, and Hay-loft, all very convenient for one or more Families. Enquire at Archbald Maclauchlan Merchant in Edinburgh, in Fowllis's Close, near the Fountainwell, or at the Shop of Mr. Alexander Symmer Bookseller in the Parliament Close.

¶ The Lands of CORSLATS, lying on the South-Side of the Town of Linlithgow, consisting of 21 Acres of arable Ground, belonging to the Heirs of the deceased Bailie Kae in Canongate, holding Feu of the Earl of Hop-ton; Are to be exposed to publick voluntary Roup, together or in Parcels, in the House of Thomas Main Postmaster in Linlithgow, upon Tuesday the 11th of February next, between the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Conditions to be seen in the Hands of the said Thomas Main, and Robert Alison Writer, at his House opposite to the Main-Guard, Edinburgh: Where also the Rights and Progress of the Lands may be seen.

*Exchequer-Chamber, 7th January, 1729.*

Notice is hereby given, by Order of the Right Honourable BARONS, for the adjudged Creditors on the forfeited Estate of James Home late of Ayton, to appear before Them on the 23d Instant, to object, if ought they have to say, why Anne Countess Dowager of Home should not be allowed out of the Purchase-money of the said Estate given in by her, the Annuity and Arrears adjudged to her thereout by the late Commissioners and Trustees Decree, bearing Date the 8th Day of October 1722.

W. BOWLES. Dep. Rem. Reg.

¶ That the House of Boultingreen, consisting of nine Fire-rooms, Closets, Cellars, Brewhouse, Stable, Coach-house, Park and Garden, pleasantly situate betwixt Leith and Leith Mills, near the Water, is to let against Whitsunday next. Any that would see the same, may call for Gilbert Matthison at the Brick House adjacent thereto.

¶ By a former Advertisement, Notice was given that the first Capital design'd for erecting an INFIRMARY or Hospital for Sick Poor at Edinburgh, was subscribed for; These do now give Notice, That the Contributors, in a general Meeting the 16th December last, did give Warrant and Directions for providing a convenient House, with proper Servants and Necessaries, to take in every such Persons, so far as the current Interest of the Stock got in, will defray. Therefore 'tis expected, that all Subscribers who have not paid, will pay in their Donations betwixt and Candlemas next, to David Spence Secretary to the Bank of Scotland, who takes in the same; and that such who did assign their Interest in the Fishery, and have notwithstanding uplifted the Dividends, That they will also pay the same to Mr. Spence; so that neither the Subscribers nor the Committee in Management, be put to the Trouble of recovering the same by a legal Course.

*By the Trustees for the Creditors of Alderston.*

That the Lands and Barony of Alderston, with a convenient Mansionhouse lately repaired, and inclosed, lying 10 Miles West of Edinburgh, comprehending the Parishes of Crofthead, Brimorhat, East, West, North, and South Yellow-Struther, Hallsleugh, West Main, East Main, or Adenbrae, a Part of Westmuirhouses, East Part of Muirhouses, Nether-Alderston, Yards, Parks and Mill of Alderston, Dikes a Feu, Bents a Feu, East and West Cairn West-Cauldium, and West-Caulley-end, with the Teinds all lying in the Parish of Mid-Calder and Shire of Edinburgh, holding Blanche of the Crown, paying to the Minister of Calder, L. 190, 06, 08 Scots, and to the Schoolmaster, L. 12, 05, 08 Scots; neat Rent, L. 1861, 08, Money, 64 Bolls Meal, 12 Bolls Bear, 2 Stone of Butter, 4 Stone of Cheese, 4 Wedders, 20 Sheep's Grass, 42 Carriages, 108 Hens, 1 Stone of Linr. *Item*, The Lands of Easter Cossyend, in Calder Parish; neat Rent, L. 104, 16, 08, 2 Stone of Butter, 6 Hens, and the Grazing 2 Oxen. *Item*, The Lands of Listonsheels, in the Parish of Kirknewton and Shire of Edinburgh, being a Five-merk-land of old Extent, holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of Nine Merks of Feu-duty, and 50 L. Scots of Teind-duty; neat Rent, L. 660, 13, 04 Scots, 4 Stone of Cheese, 4 Wedders and 4 Hens. *Item*, The Lands of Logy, lying near the Parish Kirk of Logy, in the Lordship of Stirling and Shire of Perth, about a Mile North of Stirling, holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of 11 L. Scots and 32 Bolls Bear Feu-duty; being all liferented by the Lady Logy; neat Rent, L. 123, 07, 00 Scots, 31 Bolls Bear and Meal, 24 Hens, 1 Sto of neButter, 2 Cows Grass, and the Sowing of a Peck of Lintseed. *Item*, Certain Tenements of Land lying in the Town of Stirling, of yearly Rent 182 L. Scots. *Item*, An Acre of Land lying hard by the Town of Stirling, in the Territory thereof; 2 Bolls 2 Firlots Malt yearly Rent. *Item*, Certain Tenements and Houses lying near the Foot of the Canongate of Edinburgh; being a Part of Laurence Ord's Land, being L. 604, 10, 00 Scots of neat Rent. *Item*, Houses in Niddery's Wynd, near the Head of it, upon the East-side, being about 132 L. yearly Rent: ARE all to be exposed to Sale, by way of publick voluntary Roup, in Whole or Parcels, at the House of William Gray Viatner in Edinburgh, upon the Thirteenth of February next, at 3 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progress and Articles of Roup, to be seen in the Hands of Mr. William Robertson Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in the Assembly Close. The Trustees do also by this advertise, and call a general Meeting of all the Creditors upon the 8th Day of February, at 3 a'clock after Noon, in the Laigh Coffee-house, to concert the most expeditious and least expensive Method for Ranking 'emselves upon the Estate of the common Debitor. If they neglect to attend the said Meeting, they will have themselves to blame for any Delays in further Execution of this Trust.

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